House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 35 public bills, H.R. 7733–7767; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 104; and H. Res. 1062–1064, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Cuellar to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 9:45 a.m. and reconvened at 10 a.m. **Pages H3699–H3700**

Privileged Resolution—Intent to Offer: Representative Gohmert announced his intent to offer a privileged resolution.

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Point of Personal Privilege: Representative Ocasio-Cortez rose to a point of personal privilege and was recognized to proceed for one hour. Pages H3702–08

Recess: The House recessed at 1:50 p.m. and reconvened at 2:04 p.m. Page H3715

Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2021: The House considered H.R. 7608, making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, July 24th.

Pages H3715–H3829

Pursuant to the Rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 116–59 shall be considered as adopted.

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Agreed to:

Lowey en bloc amendment No. 1 consisting of the following amendments printed in 116-459: Barr (No. 2) that increases and decreases by \$25 million the United States International Development Finance Corporation to counter China's Belt and Road Initiative; Jackson Lee (No. 11) that \$1,000,000 and by decreases \$1,000,000 to combat the trafficking of endangered species; Jackson Lee (No. 12) that increases by \$1,000,000 and decreases by \$1,000,000 to combat the practice of Female Genital Mutilation; Levin (MI) (No. 14) that prohibits the use of funds to support the forced relocation of refugees to the remote island of Bhasan Char, where more than 300 Rohingya refugees have been held; Lynch (No. 16) that provides for an increase of \$1.5 M to Non-proliferation, Antiterrorism, Demining And Related Programs for increased Counterterrorism financing activities; McCaul (No. 19) that decreases the Capital Investment Fund and increases the Nonproliferation, Anti-Terrorism, Demining and Related Programs Account by \$25,000,000; Murphy (FL) (No. 20) that provides that, of the \$3.34 billion appropriated for the Department of State's Economic Support Fund, funding made available for programs to promote democracy and the rule of law in Venezuela shall be increased by \$3 million, from \$30 million to \$33 million; Perry (No. 26) that reduces and increases the budgetary authority for the Global Health Programs Account by the same amount for the purpose of combatting the prevalence of Female Genital Mutilation around the world; Rose (NY) (No. 30) that decreases the Overseas Program account by \$500,000 and increases the Diplomatic Policy and Support account by \$500,000 for the purpose of increasing the budget for the Office of the Special Envoy To Monitor and Combat Anti-Semitism; Schweikert (No. 32) that increases and decreases Development Assistance by \$1,000,000 to highlight the importance of mitigating aquatic plastic pollution; Titus (No. 34) that increases and decreases by \$1 million the Diplomatic Programs Office of International Religious Freedom account for the purpose of encouraging the State Department to denounce Turkey for taking formal action to change the status of Hagia Sophia, a UNESCO World Heritage Site spiritually significant to people of many faiths and backgrounds, from a museum to a mosque; and to engage with Turkey for the purpose of returning its status to a museum so as to welcome people of all faiths and those who have marveled at its architectural and artistic splendor; Wagner (No. 35) that increases by \$5 million funding for child protection compacts, raising the overall funding level for the International Narcotics and Law Enforcement account to \$50 million and for programs to combat trafficking in persons to \$72 million; decreases by the same amount funds for necessary expenses of the Department of State and Foreign Service not otherwise provided for, Overseas Programs; Adams (No. 37) that increases funding by \$3,000,000 for the Office of Urban Agriculture; Cohen (No. 38) that provides \$750,000 in funding for the USDA's Office of Inspector General to complete an audit report of the USDA's Animal Plant and Health Inspection Service's Administration of the Horse Protection Program, Enforcement of the Horse Protection Act, and the Slaughter Horse Transport Program no later than July 31st, 2021; Courtney (No. 40) that provides

\$750,000 for the National Institute of Food and Agriculture's Agriculture and Food Research Initiative to research innovative practices to increase carbon storage in agricultural land, including Enhanced Rock Weathering; research priority areas should include: carbon sequestration, practices for practical application, air quality impacts on surrounding communities, impact on soil health, and health impacts on workers and consumers; Rodney Davis (IL) (No. increases and de-creases funds 41) that \$10,000,000 for the National Institute of Food and Agriculture's Agriculture and Food Research Initiative; González-Colón (PR) (No. 42) that increases the amount for the Nutrition Assistance Program in Puerto Rico by \$528,585,000 for Fiscal Year 2021; Gottheimer (No. 43) that increases and decreases the Agriculture Processing, Research, and Marketing Programs account by \$5.7 billion to highlight the losses American dairy farmers have faced during the COVID-19 pandemic, and to call for additional resources to help dairy farmers; Graves (LA) (No. 44) that increases and decreases the USDA-ARS buildings and facilities account by \$1 million; Jackson Lee (No. 45) that clarifies that nothing in the bill restricts the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture or any federal agency head from providing assistance and benefits to victims of trafficking as permitted by 22 U.S.C. § 7105(b) of the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000; Jackson Lee (No. 46) that increases funding by \$2,000,000 for the USDA agency that provides grant research funding for "1890s Land Grant Universities," which are 28 Historically Black Colleges and Universities; LaMalfa (No. 47) that increases funding for the distance learning, telemedicine, and broadband program by \$25,000,000, offset by a decrease in the Office of the Chief Information Officer fund by \$5,000,000 and a decrease in the Agriculture Buildings and Facilities by \$20,000,000; LaMalfa (No. 48) that increases and decreases \$50,000,000 for Rural Utilities Service's Distance Learning, Telemedicine, and Broadband Program for the purpose of expanding broadband in areas that do not currently have broadband; Sean Patrick Maloney (NY) (No. 49) that increases funding for the Crop Protection and Pest Management Program under the National Institute of Food and Agriculture by \$1 million; Neguse (No. 50) that transfers \$1 million in funding to the USDA Office of the Inspector General for expenses necessary for the enforcement of anti-animal cruelty statutes; Panetta (No. 51) that removes and adds \$5,000,000 from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Office of the Undersecretary for Research, Education, and Economics for the purpose of instructing the Office of the Chief Scientist to complete a strategic plan for the Agriculture Advanced

Research and Development Authority (AGARDA) not later than 180 days after the enactment of this Act; Panetta (No. 52) that increases and decreases funding within the USDA's Office of the Secretary by \$500,000,000 to elevate the need for an emergency program through USDA's Farm Service Agency focused on reimbursing producers, processors, and other agricultural employers for personal protective equipment and other safety measures for their employees; Plaskett (No. 53) that provides for funding of the micro-grants for food security program at the authorized level of \$10 million; Scalise (No. 54) that decreases by \$6,000,000 the USDA Office of the General Counsel account and increases \$6,000,000 the amount for the Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition account; this increase is to carry out the activities in Section 778 of this Title to implement options for regulating the export of shrimp to the United States from other countries; Sherrill (No. 55) that provides \$10 million for the FDA's Center for Drug Evaluation and Research; Soto (No. 56) that increases funding by \$1 million for High-Priority Research And Extension Initiatives-Fertilizer Management Initiative at the Department of Agriculture-National Institute of Food and Agriculture authorized in Sec. 7209 in the 2018 Farm Bill; Soto (No. 57) that increases and decreases funding by \$2,276,000 for the collaborative effort of the Office of Regulatory Affairs and other offices within the FDA to provide further re-sources and further implementation of the Food and Veterinary Medicine Program Strategic Plan to enhance the security and reliability of U.S. supply chains during COVID-19 for food, pharmaceuticals, and other essential medical equipment and supplies through technologies such as blockchain; Welch (No. 59) that increases funding for Dairy Business Innovation Initiatives by \$5 million; reduces funding for USDA Office of the General Counsel by a corresponding amount; Welch (No. 60) that increases and decreases funding for FDA Salaries and Expenses by \$5 million for the purpose of enforcing dairy standards of identity; Barragán (No. 63) that transfers \$1 million in funding from the Department of Interior Operations to the Environmental Protection Agency's Targeted Airshed Grant Program; Cohen (No. 69) that increases and decreases funds to require the Bureau of Land Management to utilize \$11,000,000 of its Wild Horse and Burro Program budget to implement PZP humane, reversible fertility control to manage wild horse populations; Courtney (No. 71) that increases and decreases funds by \$300,000 to highlight the New England Scenic National Trail (NET); Dingell (No. 73) that prohibits funds from being used to (1) withdraw the Environmental Protection Agency's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to

designate PFOA and PFOS as hazardous substances under section 102 of CERCLA; and (2) to withdraw EPA's preliminary regulatory determination to regulate PFOA and PFOS as drinking water contaminants under the Safe Drinking Water Act; Escobar (No. 75) that increases and decreases funding by \$1 million for the construction of water and wastewater projects along the United States-Mexico Border under the State and Tribal Assistance Grants account, to highlight the continued lack of high quality colonia water infrastructure and encourage the EPA to prioritize projects benefiting colonias; Gottheimer (No. 79) that increases funding for the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum by \$1 million to expand outreach initiatives to educate more Americans about the history of the Holocaust and antisemitism and other forms of hatred, bigotry, and intolerance; Hudson (No. 80) that increases the EPA Science and Technology account by \$2 million to study the relationship between PFAS exposure and susceptibility to COVID-19; Hudson (No. 81) that increases and decreases by \$2,487,000 funds appropriated for the development of Effluent Limit Guidelines as part of the EPA's PFAS Action Plan to emphasize the need to include the chemical GenX; Hudson (No. 82) that increases and decreases funding by \$466,173,000 to the Capital Improvement and Maintenance Account to highlight the need for Forest Service road construction; Schweikert (No. 99) that decreases Departmental Operations by \$500,000 and increases Environmental Programs and Management by \$500,000, to highlight the need for the Environmental Protection Agency to focus on implementing new technologies for mobile air quality monitoring; Sherrill (No. 100) that provides an additional \$2,000,000 for the United States Geological Survey to be used to perform surveys, investigations, and research for harmful algal blooms; Speier (No. 104) that increases and decreases funding to clarify that pending Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act Program applicants should not be required to restart the application process in order for the agency to assess applications against project eligibility criteria; Barr (No. 106) that transfers \$5,000,000 from the VHA's Medical Community of Care Account to the VHA's Medical Services account for the explicit use for equine assisted therapy within the VA's Adaptive Sports Grant (ASG) Program, given the promising results reported using equine assisted therapy for veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder; Bergman (No. 107) that increases and decreases funding in the Veterans Health Administration Medical Services' account \$300,000,000 to focus additional efforts within the Office of Rural Health on solutions that will bring more connectivity to Veterans living in rural and remote areas; Carbajal (No. 108) that increases and decreases funding by \$5,000,000 to direct the Secretary to change the phone system to have local Community Based Outpatient Center answer calls rather than having all calls routed to the major VA Medical Centers in an effort to reduce wait times for veterans on the phone and to provide more timely health services; Carbajal (No. 109) that provides \$3 million for the Veterans Transportation Program to assist veterans in attending all their medical appointments in a timely manner; Craig (No. 111) that increases the Veterans Health Administration Medical Services' account by \$1.5M to expand the Rural Health Resource Centers program; Golden (No. 113) that increases and decreases funding in the Veterans Minor Construction account to focus additional efforts to provide better access to long-term beds for veterans suffering from substance use disorder; Gottheimer (No. 114) that increases funding for the VA Office of the Inspector General by \$1.3 million to expand oversight of state-run veterans' homes supported and monitored by the VA, many of which have been afflicted by the COVID-19 pandemic; Gottheimer (No. 115) that increases funding for VA medical community care by \$1 million to expand access for veterans who are unable to visit a VA Medical Center; reduces VA Departmental Administration, General Administration by \$1 million; Graves (LA) (No. 116) that increases and decreases the VA's Medical Facilities account to highlight the urgent need to streamline the VA lease process to meet the critical care needs of America's veterans; Hartzler (No. 117) that amends Division D to increase and decrease by \$5 million the VA's medical services account in order to direct that \$5 million be used to provide funding for the VA to utilize non-profit post traumatic growth organizations as a treatment for PTSD; Hill (AR) (No. 118) that increases by \$1 million the Office of General Counsel for the purposes of training state-level veteran service officers; Kim (No. 119) that increases funding by \$1,000,000 for VA medical services to expand access to ride share programs for veterans going to communitybased outpatient clinics in urban and suburban areas with parking and transportation limitations that are also facing ongoing delays in acquiring replacement facilities; LaMalfa (No. 121) that increases and decreases by \$1 million the VA Departmental Administration, General Administration account, to highlight the need for veterans to receive legal assistance from State VA-approved lawyers willing to provide pro-bono services, and to coordinate with State VAs to ensure veterans are made aware of such assistance;

Lipinski (No. 122) that increases funding for construction grants of veterans state extended care facilities by \$3 million, with the additional funding intended to provide support to assist states acquire, construct, alter and remodel nursing home, hospital, and domiciliary care facilities to help adapt to needs associated with stopping the spread of COVID-19 and meet other needs; reduces funding for Departmental Administration, General Administration by the corresponding amount; Lynch (No. 123) that provides for an increase of \$1.5 million for suicide prevention efforts through the PREVENTS Initiative offset by a reduction from the General Administration account; Murphy (FL) (No. 125) that increases funding for Veterans Health Administration, Medical Services by \$1.5 million, with the additional funding intended for the Telehealth and Connected Care account, which supports home telehealth, home telehealth prosthetics, and clinic-based telehealth; reduces funding for Departmental Administration, General Administration by the corresponding amount; Norton (No. 126) that increases and decreases funding by \$1 million for the Veterans Benefits Administration to provide support to law school clinical programs that assist veterans with legal matters; Pappas (No. 127) that ensures that \$5 million of the funds appropriated to the Office of Resolution Management is spent on completing VA's EEO Program Manager realignment initiative at VBA and VHA in accordance with VA policy; Porter (No. 128) that increases the Veterans Health Administration Medical Services' account by \$2 million for the purpose of increasing gender-specific care for women; Ruiz (No. 129) that increases and decreases funding to VA Medical Services account to conduct educational outreach to veterans to enroll in the burn pits registry, additional research using the registry, and other activities concerning the maintenance of the registry; Sherrill (No. 130) that increases funding for the Burn Pits Center of Excellence by \$1,000,000; Waters (No. 131) that authorizes an additional \$2,000,000 for the purpose of expenses in the administration of veterans' medical, hospital, nursing home, domiciliary, construction, supply, and research activities; and Welch (No. 132) that increases and decreases the Medical Research and Prosthetics Account for the purpose to encourage the VA to study the impact of COVID-19 on veterans who have been exposed to burn pits and other airborne hazards during their service; Pages H3799-H3806

Lowey en bloc amendment No. 2 consisting of the following amendments printed in H. Rept. 116–459: Bera (No. 3) that prohibits funds from being used to withdraw from the U.S.-South Korea Mutual Defense Treaty, in light of recent reporting that the administration is considering withdrawing

U.S. forces from the Korean peninsula; Cicilline (No. 4) that increases and decreases by \$1 million the Diplomatic Programs account for the purpose of discouraging the State Department from using the final report of the Commission on Unalienable Rights as a framework for addressing human rights inside the United States Government, or abroad; to discourage publishing or translating the final report; and to discourage the State Department from pushing aside the modern human rights that the United States helped establish in favor of narrower protections for women, including reproductive rights; for members of the LGBTQI community; and for other minorities; Cohen (No. 5) that prohibits the use of funds to enter into any new contract, grant, or cooperative agreement with any Trump related business listed in the President Trump's Annual Financial Disclosure Report submitted to the Office of Government Ethics as well as certain Trump related properties listed on the Trump Organization's website; Escobar (No. 6) that increases and decreases funding for USAID by \$1 million to emphasize the need for a binational COVID-19 testing strategy between the United States and Mexico and encourage the agency to include recommendations for such a strategy in its review of the international response to the COVID-19 pandemic; Foster (No. 7) that increases and decreases by \$10,000,000 the Non-proliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining, and Related Programs (NADR) account to emphasize the need to fund the Synchrotron-Light for Experimental Science and Applications project in order to promote scientific diplomacy and peace in the Middle East; Gottheimer (No. 8) that prohibits funds from being used to promote the sale or export of electronic nicotine delivery systems, or "e-cigarettes," in addition to tobacco products; Grijalva (No. 9) that increases and decreases by \$4,000,000 the International Border and Water Commission, United States and Mexico, Construction account, to emphasize the responsibility for the maintenance of the International Outfall Interceptor (IOI); Hastings (No. 10) that increases and decreases \$10 million in Economic Support Fund funding for programs benefiting the Ethiopian-Israeli community; Jayapal (No. 13) that increases set-aside for Global Internet Freedom account by \$2.5 million, which prioritizes countries whose governments restrict freedom of expression on the Internet, and that are important to the national interest of the United States; Lynch (No. 17) that provides for an increase of \$5 million to Non-proliferation, Antiterrorism, Demining And Related Programs for increased demining activities to be offset with a reduction to Human Resources; Malinowski (No. 18) that prohibits use of DOS funds to facilitate the transfer or sale of air-to-ground munitions to Saudi Arabia and

the UAE in recognition of the continuing devastation to civilians caused by US-provided weapons in the Yemen conflict; Ocasio-Cortez (No. 21) that increases funding for the Economic Support Fund by \$5,000,000 and decreases funding for the International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement account by the same amount; Ocasio-Cortez (No. 22) that prevents the use of funds to transfer lethal military equipment or crowd control equipment to Bolivia given the recent human rights abuses there; Panetta (No. 23) that prohibits the use of funds to withdraw the United States from NATO; Panetta (No. 24) that prohibits use of funds to withdraw the United States from the World Health Organization; Phillips (No. 27) that provides that, of the \$3.34 billion appropriated for the Economic Support Fund and the \$900 million appropriated for Development Assistance, funding made available for the Local Works program shall be increased by \$5 million, from \$50 million to \$55 million; Porter (No. 28) that increases and decreases the Democracy Fund account by \$2 million to highlight the importance of protecting journalists and civil society activists around the world; Porter (No. 29) that increases and decreases the Economic Support Fund account by \$1 million to highlight the importance of programs that help foreign governments and civil society in such countries improve budget transparency; Rouda (No. 31) that increases and decreases the Migration and Refugee Assistance account by \$2 million to highlight the contributions of Vietnamese, Laotian, and Cambodian immigrants and to discourage attempts to increase repatriations to those countries; Speier (No. 33) that increases the Economic Support Fund (ESF) by \$1,400,000 to fund USAID's demining program in Nagorno-Karabakh and decreases the Educational and Cultural Exchange Programs (ECE) account by \$1,400,000; Cohen (No. 39) that prohibits the use of funds to enter into any new contract, grant, or cooperative agreement with any Trump related business listed in the President Trump's Annual Financial Disclosure Report submitted to the Office of Government Ethics as well as certain Trump related properties listed on the Trump Organization's website; Waters (No. 58) that prohibits the use of funds to implement Executive Order 13917, which authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to use the authorities contained in the Defense Production Act to keep meat and poultry processing facilities operational during the COVID-19 emergency; Adams (No. 61) that increases funding by \$2,000,000 for the Environmental Justice program area within the EPA Environmental Programs and Management account; Beyer (No. 64) that increases and decreases funding by \$5,000,000 with the intent to ensure US Park Police match other In-

terior law enforcement and adopt body cameras; Beyer (No. 65) that increases and decreases funds by \$500,000 to highlight the need for a GAO study of the civil rights of protesters and the effects of the use of non-lethal tactics during protests on the protesters; Cohen (No. 70) that prohibits the use of funds to enter into any new contract, grant, or cooperative agreement with any Trump related business listed in the President Trump's Annual Financial Disclosure Report submitted to the Office of Government Ethics as well as certain Trump related properties listed on the Trump Organization's website; Dingell (No. 72) that prohibits funds from being used to implement, administer, or enforce the final rule entitled "Update to the Regulations Implementing the Procedural Provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act" published by the Council on Environmental Quality in the Federal Register on July 16, 2020; Gottheimer (No. 78) that increases and decreases the U.S. Geological Survey account by \$5 million to underscore the need to fight the scourge of Harmful Algal Blooms (HABs) in bodies of water in New Jersey and across the country; Huffman (No. 83) that prohibits funds from being used to offer any tracts available for oil and gas leasing in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge; Jackson Lee (No. 84) that increases and decreases funding by \$5 million to highlight the need to support culturally competent federal, state, and local public health and environmental protection efforts to address cancer clusters impacting overburdened communities in the gulf coast region, which is home to a refinery row that runs from Mobile to Houston, Texas; Jayapal (No. 85) that prohibits use of funds for enforcement of the National Park Service's final rule that will allow trophy hunting practices to kill hibernating bears and wolf pups on Alaska's federal lands; Lowenthal (No. 87) that limits funds toward oil and gas leasing in the NPRA to protect the Special Areas designated in the 2013 Integrated Activity Plan of the National Petroleum Reserve—Alaska (NPRA); Neguse (No. 91) that increases funding for the Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Program (CFLRP) by \$5 million; Ocasio-Cortez (No. 92) that increases and decreases funds by \$2 million in section 104(k) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA) account by \$2 million for Brownfields grants with the intent of directing at least 10 percent of such grants be provided to areas in which at least 20 percent of the population has lived under the poverty level over the past 30 years as determined by censuses and the most recent Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates, and that not less than an additional 20 percent of funds be used for projects in low-income

community census tracts as defined in 26 U.S.C. § 45D(e)(1); O'Halleran (No. 93) that reduces funding of the Office of the Secretary of the Interior by \$15 million to preserve funding for relocated Native Americans; Panetta (No. 94) that prohibits funds from being used to nominate or accept a nomination or an expression of interest for any Federal lands for oil and gas leasing within the areas covered by the Bureau of Land Management's Final Central Coast Resource Management Plan Amendment, the Resource Management Plan for the Bakersfield Field Office, or the Carrizo Plain National Monument Resource Management Plan; Porter (No. 97) that prevents funds from being used to reject any application for a grant due to the use of the term "global warming" or the term "climate change" in the application; Porter (No. 98) that prevents funds from being used for the centralization process established in the EPA's FOIA Regulations Update published on June 26, 2019; Tlaib (No. 105) that doubles the funding level for lead pipe replacement, raising the amount appropriated for reducing lead in drinking water to \$1 billion; and Cohen (No. 110) that prohibits the use of funds to enter into any new contract, grant, or cooperative agreement with any Trump related business listed in the President Trump's Annual Financial Disclosure Report submitted to the Office of Government Ethics as well as certain Trump related properties listed on the Trump Organization's website (by a yea-and-nay vote of 223 yeas to 194 Pages H3806-18, H3822 nays, Roll No. 160); and

Kennedy (amendment No. 86 printed in H. Rept. 116–459) that prohibits funds from being used by the Department of the Interior to rescind the decision to take the lands of the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe into federal trust or revoke other associated actions related to the Tribe.

Pages H3826–27

Rejected:

Allen (amendment No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 116–459) that sought to reduce spending in Division A by 5% (by a yea-and-nay vote of 88 yeas to 329 nays, Roll No. 159); Pages H3798–99, H3821–22

Lowey en bloc amendment No. 3 consisting of the following amendments printed in H. Rept. 116–459: Leutkemeyer (No. 15) that sought to prohibit federal contributions to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCC), and the Green Climate Fund (GCF), which advise governments around the world on climate change; Perry (No. 25) that sought to state that none of the funds made available by this Act may be used for the United Nations Relief and Works Agency; Wilson (No. 36) that sought to require LAF to directly confront terrorism and Hezbollah's influence; Burgess (No. 68) that sought

to prohibit funds made available by this Act from being used by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to higher or pay the salary of any officer or employee of the EPA to utilize the Title 42 special pay authority; Duncan (No. 74) that sought to strike Section 436 which prohibits funds made available by this act to be used to issue a permit for the import of a sport-hunted trophy of an elephant or lion taken in Tanzania, Zibabwe, or Zambia; Gosar (No. 76) that sought to prevent funds from being used in contravention of President Trump's Executive Order 13807 (Establishing Discipline and Accountability in the Environmental Review and Permitting Process for Infrastructure Projects); Gosar (No. 77) that sought to prevent funds from being used in contravention of President Trump's Executive Order 13817 (Federal Strategy to Ensure Secure and Reliable Supplies of Critical Minerals); McKinley (No. 88) that sought to prevent funds from being used in contravention of Executive Order 13868, "Promoting Energy Infrastructure and Economic Growth"; Miller (No. 89) that sought to strike the provision that reduces funding to the United States Park Police by \$50,000 per day if the Secretary of the Interior fails to provide Congress information requested in the report within 10 days of enactment of this Act; Miller (No. 90) that sought to strike the provision that blocks funding for finalizing the proposed rule entitled "Oil and Natural Gas Sector: Emission Standards for New, Reconstructed, and Modified Sources Review" published by the Environmental Protection Agency; Perry (No. 95) that sought to prohibit the use of funds for the EPA to take any "backstop" actions in response to the Watershed Implementation Plan submitted by any jurisdiction pursuant to the Chesapeake Bay TMDL; Perry (No. 96) that sought to prohibit the use of funds to give formal notification under, or prepare, propose, implement, administer, or enforce any rule or recommendation pursuant to section 115 of the Clean Air Act; Smith (MO) (No. 101) that sought to prevent funds from being used to regulate lead in ammunition and fishing tackle under the Toxic Substances Control Act; Gianforte (No. 112) that sought to restore funding to replace aging weapons storage facilities to improve security and safety around our nation's nuclear warheads; King (IA) (No. 120) that sought to strike language that impedes the President's border wall construction, under Division D, Title I; and Miller (No. 124) that sought to strike a provision that would prohibit construction at the southern border, including roads, the border wall, fence, or barrier (by a yea-and-nay vote of 187 yeas to 230 nays, Roll No. 161); and

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Smith (MO) (amendment No. 103 printed in H. Rept. 116–459) that sought to reduce funding for EPA Science and Technology to match the President's FY21 Budget request.

Pages H3828–29

Proceedings Postponed:

Allen (amendment No. 62 printed in H. Rept. 116–459) that seeks to reduce spending in Division C by 5%;

Pages H3823–26

Tonko (amendment No. 67 printed in H. Rept. 116–459) that seeks to prohibit funds from being used by the EPA to finalize, implement, or enforce the proposed rule, "Review of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for Particulate Matter" published in the Federal Register by the Environmental Protection Agency on April 30, 2020, which fails to protect, within an adequate margin of safety, communities of color from harmful air pollution during a global public health pandemic, where those communities are experiencing a disproportionately high death rate made worse by decades of exposure to toxic pollution; and

Smith (MO) (amendment No. 102 printed in H. Rept. 116–459) that seeks to reduce funding for the EPA Environmental programs and management to match the President's FY 21 budget request.

Pages H3827-29

H. Res. 1060, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 7608) was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 230 yeas to 188 nays, Roll No. 158, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 230 yeas to 189 nays, Roll No. 157.

Pages H3708-15

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13882 with respect to the situation in Mali is to continue in effect beyond July 26, 2020—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 116–138).

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Senate Referrals: S. 906 was held at the desk. S. 4065 was held at the desk. Page H3829

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H3829.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3713–14, H3714–15, H3821–22, H3822, and H3822–23.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ON FARM ENERGY PRODUCTION: IMPACTS ON FARM INCOME AND RURAL COMMUNITIES

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Commodity Exchanges, Energy, and Credit held a hearing entitled "On Farm Energy Production: Impacts on Farm Income and Rural Communities". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

UNDERFUNDED AND UNPREPARED: EXAMINING HOW TO OVERCOME OBSTACLES TO SAFELY REOPEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education held a hearing entitled "Underfunded and Unprepared: Examining How to Overcome Obstacles to Safely Reopen Public Schools". Testimony was heard from Michael Hinojosa, Superintendent, Dallas Independent School District, Texas; Penny Schwinn, Commissioner of Education, Tennessee Department of Education; and public witnesses.

THE HEROES ACT: PROVIDING FOR A STRONG ECONOMIC RECOVERY FROM COVID–19

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "The Heroes Act: Providing for a Strong Economic Recovery from COVID-19". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION'S FY2021 FOREIGN ASSISTANCE BUDGET REQUEST

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "The Trump Administration's FY2021 Foreign Assistance Budget Request". Testimony was heard from John Barsa, Acting Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 2678, the "No President is Above the Law Act"; H.R. 7694, the "Abuse of the Pardon Prevention Act"; and to Ratify Subcommittee Assignments. H.R. 2678 and H.R. 7694 were ordered reported, as amended. Subcommittee Assignments were approved.

THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE PUERTO RICO ELECTRIC POWER AUTHORITY (PREPA)

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "The Transformation of the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority (PREPA)". Testimony was heard from Edison Aviles, Chair, Puerto Rico